

European Marine Science Park

The Scottish home of the global marine sector



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Highlands and Islands Enterprise
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Creating a landmark location for marine businesses that supports innovation, business growth, education and conservation.

Overlooking the Atlantic along the beautiful coastline north of Oban is the European Marine Science Park, a centre of marine excellence shaping a global economic and academic landscape based around our oceans.

It is home to an internationally recognised cluster of marine science activity including aquaculture, biotechnology and environmental sciences. The rich marine resources of the Highlands and Islands underpin this vibrant and growing blue economy hub.

The EMSP has been developed by Highlands and Islands Enterprise, in partnership with Scottish Development International and the Scottish Association for Marine Science, to deliver a shared vision of innovation, economic growth and job creation. Its mission? To maximise the potential of working in our oceans, while keeping these oceans healthy as we battle the effects of climate change.

EMSP has a strong spirit of collaboration and innovation to support growth aspirations. Whether you are a start-up, spin-out, SME, or global business – we invite you to be part of the EMSP community.

The opportunity

Purpose-built for the marine science sector, EMSP offers flexible facilities and leasing arrangements within an established community of innovative marine businesses. It is close to customers, collaborators, and the stunning natural environment of Scotland's west coast. The campus has a café, ample outdoor space, and direct access to the waters of the Firth of Lorn.

Camas House

Our newest facility, Camas House is the next step in supporting marine sector growth at EMSP as part of our ambitious vision.

This state-of-the-art building offers 1,500sqm of flexible workspace, including 11 potential lab suites, and shared facilities across two floors.

The Moorings

Looking for a dynamic space to launch your marine business? The Moorings offers co-working desks and small private offices designed for start-ups and entrepreneurs.

Situated within Malin House, this flexible workspace puts you at the centre of a vibrant marine science community.

Malin House

Malin House features 1,900sqm of high-quality accommodation, with dedicated lab suites.

With modern facilities and a great balance between private and shared indoor and outdoor spaces, it offers an inspiring environment for work.

Shared facilities include a boardroom, kitchen space, bicycle storage, showers, and ample parking.

Development land

If you want a bespoke home for your marine science business, we currently have land available for development with plots up to 900sqm.






Whether you're looking for an incubator, office space or specialist fit out, there's something here for all, with flexible support available from Highlands and Islands Enterprise to help tailor premises to your business.

Contact us on the [website](#) to find out more about current available space.





Why choose EMSP?

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 EMSP is already home to a strong community of marine businesses, researchers and academia, creating opportunities for collaboration and partnership to support innovation and business growth
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 You'll be at the heart of Scotland's marine market, with ease of access to existing and potential customers and supply chain partners
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 Our co-location with SAMS, Scotland's largest and oldest independent marine science organisation, provides a robust talent pool of qualified and highly skilled graduates
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 There is a wide range of help available from Highlands and Islands Enterprise to support innovation, business growth and access to markets, from funding to advisory services and training
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 Our location in Oban, on the picturesque west coast of Scotland, offers employers and employees a positive lifestyle choice, supporting work life balance and providing a strong recruitment incentive



How we can help you

Thinking about relocating to EMSP? HIE and our partners are here to support you every step of the way. With strong links between industry and the public sector, you'll be joining a thriving, collaborative community.

We can help you make the right connections, access business support and incentives, and build relationships with policymakers, industry, and academia.

From your first enquiry to settling in and growing, [get in touch](#) to find out how we can help.

Funding and investment

The right support can make all the difference in getting your business off to a strong start in a new location.

We can help you explore grants, loans, and other financial support, as well as assistance for research, feasibility studies, and training.

Speak to us early in your decision-making process, and we'll help you explore what's possible.

Expert advice and support

As well as finance, we offer expert advice on property options, recruitment, and skills. HIE and the EMSP community also run regular in-person and online events, giving you access to specialist insights and networking opportunities.



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